



Saskatchewan  
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Society

# E-Voice

## Greetings from the SAS

Welcome to the April edition of the *E-Voice*! Read on to see what's happening around the province this month.



We are gearing up for the upcoming 2017 Archaeology Conference with the Archaeological Society of Alberta - Southeastern Centre at the end of April. We have a full slate of presentations and posters and the program will be out shortly. You still have time to register for the conference, the keynote address, the Thursday and Friday evening activities and the Sunday tours! Visit the [Event Page](#) for more information.

Stay tuned to our website and social media pages for information on archaeological happenings in the province and across the world. Each week we feature a Saskatchewan archaeological site on our #TBT "Throwback Thursdays" and archaeology and food posts on our #FoodieFridays!

**Office Hours:** Monday to Thursday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday: by appointment only

**Office Closure:** Friday, April 14th - Good Friday

Wednesday, April 26th - all day

Monday, May 1st - all day

## Upcoming Events

APRIL  
**7**  
Saskatoon  
Archaeological Society  
Monthly Meeting & AGM  
7:00 pm  
Rm. 132 Archaeology  
Building, U of S (55 Campus  
Drive)

APRIL  
**14**  
Office Closed - Good  
Friday  
Archaeology Centre (#1-  
1730 Quebec Avenue,  
Saskatoon)

APRIL  
**26**  
Office Closed  
Archaeology Centre (#1-  
1730 Quebec Avenue,  
Saskatoon)

APRIL  
**27-  
30**  
2017 Archaeology  
Conference  
The Resort at Cypress Hills  
(Cypress Hills  
Interprovincial Park)

MAY  
**1**  
Office Closed  
Archaeology Centre (#1-1730  
Quebec Avenue)

## About the SAS

The Saskatchewan Archaeological Society (SAS) is an independent, charitable, non-profit organization that was founded in

## In Memoriam

**Biron Ebell** - It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of long-time and founding SAS member, Biron Ebell. Biron passed away on March 14th, 2017. He grew up in the village of Amulet, Saskatchewan but attended school in Ogema. His lifelong passion for archaeology started in his youth with explorations of the Ogema area. He befriended several others interested in archaeology who invited him to a local meeting in Regina. It was here that he was drafted as a founding member of the SAS. He served various positions on both Society boards including president, vice president, etc. He was a frequent contributor to the Society newsletter after publishing his first article on the Farr Site in 1964. He enrolled in the Archaeology program at the University of Saskatchewan, Regina Campus and continued his studies with a Masters degree from the University of Manitoba on "The Parkhill Site: An Agate Basin Surface Collection in South Central Saskatchewan". He went on to work for Parks Canada and spent the majority of his career excavating sites such as The Forks in Winnipeg, York Factory, Lower Fort Garry, Riding Mountain National Park, Grasslands National Park, Prince Albert National Park and Fort Walsh. In 2015, the SAS began excavations at the Farr Site near Ogema with Biron and his research objectives continue there. His humour, knowledge and expertise will be deeply missed. His obituary is available [here](#).

**Tom Gentles** - Tom passed away peacefully on March 15th, 2017. He was a member of both the Regina Archaeological Society and the SAS for many years serving in many roles including vice-president, president, etc. Tom received the William A. Marjerrison Award in 1998 in recognition of his many accomplishments and contributions to Saskatchewan archaeology and the SAS. Tom's obituary is available [here](#).

More information on both Biron and Tom will be featured in the May issue of *Saskatchewan Archaeology Quarterly*.

## Chapter News

**Saskatoon Archaeological Society:** The Saskatoon Archaeological Society is pleased to welcome Rob Wondrasek (Atlas Archaeology Ltd.) as their April speaker! This meeting will also be their Annual General Meeting. Rob will be speaking on "Bone Pits and Working Floors: Unique Features and Tools from Four Site in Hardisty, AB" on Friday, April 7th at 7:00 pm in Room 132 of the Archaeology Building (55 Campus Drive) on the University of Saskatchewan campus. All are welcome to attend.

## Upcoming Pottery Workshop - Rescheduled!

Our March pottery workshop has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 27th! Location is To Be Announced!

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# Pottery Workshop

Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Location TBA



Long before Europeans first made contact, Aboriginal peoples in Canada had mastered the art of making pottery. Archaeologists study the pots to learn how these ancient people lived, and work to preserve knowledge about these traditions.

Dr. Mary Malainey, Professor and Chair of the Anthropology Department at Brandon University, will share some of her experiences about archaeology, sites, and First Nations traditional pottery techniques.

The group will craft their own pot to take home using traditional methods of construction.



All materials will be provided!

Light refreshments will be available .

Students	\$50.00
SAS Members	\$65.00
Non-Members	\$80.00



For more information and to register, contact us!

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## Upcoming Regina Archaeological Society Workshop

# Lithic Identification

Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017

12:30 —4:30 pm

Regina Public Library - Sunrise Branch (3130 E. Woodhams Drive)

Don't give a schist about rocks?

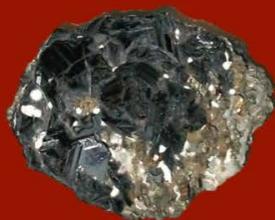
That's not very gneiss, metamorphically speaking!



Learn how to identify rock types in an archaeological setting with Frank McDougall.

Frank is a retired mining geologist & palaeontologist with a great interest in archaeological artifacts!

SAS/RAS Student Member	\$20.00
SAS/RAS Member	\$25.00
Non-SAS/RAS Member	\$30.00



Light refreshments will be provided.

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## Upcoming Events Across Saskatchewan

Regina: **Across the Turtle's Back: The Kampalmacher Memorial Collection of Indigenous Art** (until April 30th, 2017) - MacKenzie Art Gallery (3475 Albert Street)

*The Kampalmacher Memorial Collection is the result of one couple's passion for North American Indigenous art. The exhibition features 245 artworks that have been selected from over 1,000 works assembled by Yellowknife collectors Thomas Druyan and Alice Ladner. Named in honour of Druyan's grandparents Wolf and Sala Kampalmacher, the collection was developed over almost 25 years and illustrates a myriad of artistic expressions from across the turtle's back. Over 100 of these works have been promised as a donation to the MacKenzie Art Gallery. Organized by the MacKenzie Art Gallery with the support of Canada Council for the Arts, SaskCulture, Saskatchewan Arts Board, City of Regina, and University of Regina. Supported by Namerind Housing Corporation and PCL.*

Saskatoon: **Magic Ancient and Modern: Materials and Imagination** (until April 21st, 2017) - Museum of Antiquities

(106 Peter MacKinnon Building, 107 Administration Place)

*An exhibit by Frank Klaassen and David Porreca. Throughout the ages, both magic and divination have attracted attention because they offer various ways to predict or control the future as well as ways to fantasize about it (as evident in the popularity of the Harry Potter series). The boundlessly fertile nature of human imagination keeps the belief in magic alive, and magic is often simply a technique for unleashing our natural imaginative inclinations. Many of the techniques in this exhibit seek to provoke the imagination through texts, nebulous shapes, or magical tools and these can often render convincing, startling and evocative results. We also use our imagination to create or imagine what magic should look like. What appears magical to us might not do so in another part of the world or another period. Thus, new forms of magic are constantly being created, and all of us participate in evaluating them. In this exhibit, you will see how magic persists in the modern world in forms very much like those practiced in the premodern world.*

**Melfort: Sisters United Travelling Exhibit** (until April 24th, 2017) - Melfort and District Museum (401 Melfort Street West)

*Women's suffrage in Saskatchewan exhibit on display from 12:30 - 4:30 pm Tuesdays through Saturdays. For more information, visit the [Museum website](#).*

**Moose Jaw: Audrey Dreaver - No, I Don't Speak Cree (until May 7th, 2017) - Moose Jaw Museum & Art Gallery (461 Langdon Crescent)**

*An exhibition of paintings and prints that expresses and examines the artist's experience with Cree language loss. Exploring the emotional and psychological impact of language loss on identity.*

**Regina: Regina Gem And Mineral Show Presented By Silver Cove 2017** (March 30th - April 2nd, 2017, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm) - Evraz Place (1700 Elphinstone Street)

*Regina's gem and mineral show fourth annual! Everything Regina loves from the mineral Kingdom. Crystals, minerals, fossils, beads, carvings, findings, sphere's, jewelry, and so much more. All ages event. For more information, visit their [website](#).*

**Regina: Victorian Tea** (April 1st and 2nd, 2017) - Government House (4607 Dewdney Avenue)

*Held in the beautiful Government House Ballroom, a typical tea includes three sandwiches, a fresh scone and preserves, and a dessert, all served with an endless pot of tea. Tickets go quickly, reserve yours soon! There are two sittings each day at 1:00 PM and 2:30 PM. Reservations are required. Please call 639-571-7123 to make your reservation.*

**Regina: Vimy** (April 5th - 8th, 2017, 7:30 pm) - Regina Performing Arts Centre (1077 Angus Street)

*A drama by Vern Thiessen. Directed by Mark Claxton. Produced by special arrangement with the playwright. Aided by a nurse from Nova Scotia, four wounded Canadian soldiers recover in a field hospital in the wake of the battle for Vimy Ridge, each of them suffering from post-traumatic stress and reliving, through flashbacks, the horrors of war. For tickets, visit the [Regina Performing Arts Centre box office](#) or call 306-779-2277.*

**Regina: First Nations University Of Canada Annual Spring Celebration Powwow** (April 8th and 9th, 2017) - Brandt Centre, Evraz Place

*One of Canada's major indoor powwows, featuring dancers from Canada and the United States. Grand entry 12 noon and 7pm Sat and Sun. Traditional foods and First Nations crafts for sale. First Nations and business trade show. Everyone welcome. For more information, call 1-800-267-6303.*

Regina: **Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge** (April 9th, 2017) - Victoria Park

*For the public, marching of troops from St. Paul's Cathedral to Cenotaph at Victoria Park, Ceremony approx. 10:15, flypast. Followed by a re-dedication of Branch #001 of the Royal Canadian Legion (RCL).*

Regina Branch #001:

9:00AM – Church Parade, St. Paul's Cathedral (1859 McIntyre Street)

10:15AM – Ceremony, Victoria Park

11:00AM – Rededication, Royal Canadian Legion Library and Museum (1820 Cornwall Street)

Government of Saskatchewan:

1:00PM – Commemoration Ceremony, Legislative Building (outdoors)

1:40PM – Vimy Ridge Exhibition and Reception, Legislative Building

Saskatoon: **Introductory Class on Genealogy Research** (April 9th, 2017, 1:30 - 3:30 pm) - Alice Turner Library (110 Turner Road)

*The Saskatoon Branch of the Saskatchewan Genealogical Society is hosting an afternoon workshop on genealogy research. Topics will include how to start your research, where to go locally and online, DNA testing, and more! Seating is limited to 40 spots. For more information, see the [Facebook Event page](#) or contact [Tammy Vallee](#) (306-668-1380).*

Coronach: **Coal in Coronach: A Living Heritage Project** (April 12th, 2017, 7:00 pm) - Coronach Community Hall

*Plan to attend the unveiling of a short documentary and a booklet, produced by Heritage Saskatchewan, telling the story of coal in Coronach. Coronach Community Hall, 7:00 p.m.*

Regina: **From the Prairies to the Trenches: Saskatchewan and the First World War** (April 12th, 2017, 6:30-10:00 pm) - Mackenzie Art Gallery (3475 Albert Street)

*The Provincial Archives of Saskatchewan and the Provincial Capital Commission invite you to a four-part video screening commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the First World War (1914-1918). Cocktails – 6:30 PM. Program including videos – 7:00 PM (Featured video: Vimy, Passchendaele and Conscription). Reception during Intermission. Conclusion – 9:30 PM. Cash bar. Proceeds to Friends of the RCMP Heritage Centre. Free to attend. Open to the public.*

Saskatoon: **7 Days that Transformed the World** (April 12th, 2017, 6:00 pm) - Hose and Hydrant Brewing Company (#612 11th Street East)

*"April 22, 1915: The Day Canada Confronted Modern Industrial Warfare" by Keith Thor Carlson. Canadians enlisted en masse in the late summer of 1914. Motivated primarily by a sense of patriotism to the British Empire, these citizen soldiers regarded themselves as defenders of civilization against German barbarism. With God and righteousness on their side they expected the war to be short and their role to be glorious and heroic. Informed by a distorted sense of Canada's military prowess in the War of 1812 and an exaggerated memory of Canada's contributions in the South African Boer War, these soldiers expected poetic glory and instead were confronted by mechanized and chemical horror. But in challenging expectations the Great War also transformed Canada. Canadian soldiers, the celebrated 'shock troops of the British Empire', ranked among the war's most ruthless and cruel combatants. They lost their innocence in the bloody trenches of Flanders, but back home, in the country that imposed more government censorship than any other Allied nation, returning veterans were expected to have been, and to be, Christ-like. Canadians have struggled with conflicted memories of the Great War, and of themselves, ever since.*

Saskatoon: **De Brou Memorial Lecture: American Justice on Canadian Soil** (April 13th, 2017, 7:00 pm) - Neatby-Timlins Lecture Theatre (ARTS 241, University of Saskatchewan)

*A lecture by Benjamin Hoy (Department of History). Hosted by the Department of History and the History Graduate Students Committee in memoriam of Dave de Brou (1950 – 2004). In 1899, Levi Edwin Dudley, the American consul at*

Vancouver, spoke with a Canadian police officer about the ways officers on both sides of the border approached their jobs. The officer, speaking under conditions of anonymity, noted that “on the border here we must do things in an irregular way in order to preserve the peace.” The ability of criminals to move back and forth across the line forced American and Canadian officers to “‘stand in’ with each other, [or] we should have the country filled with desperadoes.” During the 19th century, American officers transferred criminals over to Canadian agents without proper clearance and Canadian officers later returned the favor creating a reciprocal system of exchange that operated in the grey areas of legality. By the 20th century, American police officers continued to use informal prisoner exchanges and state sponsored kidnappings to extract criminals from Canada, but increasingly did so without reciprocation. Legal process became a tool not only of international justice, but also a tool of international control.

Batoche: **National Canadian Film Day At Batoche** (April 19th, 2017) - Batoche National Historic Site

In conjunction with National Canadian Film Day 150 (NCFD 150), a massive one-day celebration of Canadian cinema in honour of our nation’s sesquicentennial. Further information to come. For more information, visit their [website](#).

## Events at Saskatchewan's Western Development Museums

Moose Jaw: **Museum Nonsense** (April 1st, 2017, 1:00 - 4:00 pm) - 50 Diefenbaker Drive

Can you decipher which artifacts are displayed with true facts and which ones are sheer balderdash? Our April Fool's Day celebration for the whole family will include this true or false game, as well as sessions of the Load of Nonsense program throughout the afternoon. Visitors are encouraged to come dressed in silly attire, or show off a crazy hairstyle! Regular Museum admission applies. For more information, please call 306-693-5989.

Saskatoon: **Boomtown Pursuit** - 2610 Lorne Avenue

Search Boomtown for hidden clues, solve location-based puzzles and take pictures of yourself at certain locations as you search for a mischievous thief. Fun for friends, family or even a group party activity! Purchase an entry code for the text messaging system on your smartphone and launch Boomtown Pursuit. The WDM worked with [Media Manifesto Inc.](#) of Saskatoon to create this exciting digital scavenger adventure.

North Battleford: **Big Bert** (until April 30th, 2017) - Highways 16 and 40

Big Bert, an ancient crocodile skeleton discovered in 1991 along the banks of Carrot River in the Pasquia Hills of Saskatchewan, has taken up residence at the WDM North Battleford. Bert, on loan from the Royal Saskatchewan Museum. This fossil is the world's most complete *Terminonaris robusta* crocodile skeleton measuring approximately 5.6 m (19 feet) long; its skull alone is more than 1 m long. Big Bert is brought back to life through 3D imaging that allows visitors to spin the bones around in any direction and to also flesh out the animal for an in depth and interactive study of the cast.

Saskatoon: **Game Changers** (until April 30th, 2017) - 2610 Lorne Avenue

Get your game on! Discover how innovation has shaped the video game industry. Opening February 7, 2017 at the WDM Saskatoon, Game Changers takes you on a fascinating journey, exploring the past and uncovering the future of gaming. Game Changers examines how the intersection of audio, storytelling, graphics, and gameplay creates the immersive environment of current video gaming systems. Live the video game evolution, from memorable Pong to the photorealistic, immersive games of today. Step inside a game, and become a character yourself! Try your hand at operating a supersized Nintendo controller, play Tetris on a giant Game Boy, and test your knowledge of retro video game music. Discover original concept art, storyboards, level designs, and scripts of some of the most influential games ever developed, and listen to experts from the industry explain how they develop the games you love. Explore over 120 of the most influential games that have transformed the gaming scene, and test your skills with 16 games that have

significantly changed the gaming experience, including Pac-Man, Super Mario Bros., Tetris, Angry Birds, Space Invaders, Flower, and Adventure. Experiment with augmented reality, and examine upcoming video game trends while imagining what gaming will look like in the future.

## New Exhibit at the Royal Saskatchewan Museum

A new exhibit is part of the First Nations Gallery at the Royal Saskatchewan Museum in Regina. The signing of Treaty 4 in 1874 between Saskatchewan's Indigenous peoples and the Government of Canada marked the beginning of a relationship that will endure as long as the sun shines, the rivers flow, and the grasses grow. Today, united by the agreements made in Treaty 4, **We are all Treaty people**. In this exhibit, see Treaty 4 presented in a rare document: Canada's only known written record of Treaty promises from the viewpoint of the Indigenous people.



## Brandon University Archaeological Field School

Summer 2017 — July 4 to August 21, 2017

The Brandon University Archaeological Field School (12:342) is a six (6)-credit course in archaeological field methods. Students in the program will receive basic training in archaeological field and lab methods, as well as practical experience under typical fieldwork conditions.

This year, the excavation component will be held at a site along the Souris River, just outside of Souris, Manitoba. This site contains *in situ* deposits of Late Precontact artifacts that are usually found in disturbed contexts, including pottery that does not easily fit into any previously defined typology. We would hope the material remains recovered through the field school will clearly indicate who lived there, when they lived there, what they did at the site and how they interacted with their neighbours in other parts of southwest Manitoba. This site has the potential to greatly enhance our understanding of the people who lived in the area but it is threatened by erosion due to recent flooding events.

The 2017 BU Archaeology Field School website is at <https://www.brandonu.ca/archaeology-field-school/>. Before you can register for the site, you must complete a "2017 BU Field School Application" and "Permission of the Instructor" form. Links to these forms can be found on the Registration and Tuition page. You can submit digital\* copies of the forms to Ms. Alicia Gooden, the BU Field School Director (email: [goodena@brandonu.ca](mailto:goodena@brandonu.ca)) or hardcopies of these forms to Dr. Malainey. Once she has given her approval, you will receive an email from Ms. Gooden indicating that you can register for the course. If you have any questions, please contact either Ms. Gooden or me (email: [malaineym@brandonu.ca](mailto:malaineym@brandonu.ca)).

\* If the images are of sufficient quality, you may be able to just take pictures of your forms with your smartphones. You can also email scans of the forms.

### Costs (Tuition and Material Fee)

- \$ 1754.10 (Canadian) – Canadian Students
- \$ 2421.30 (Canadian) – Foreign Students

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## Canada's History Webinars

Established in 1994 as a charitable organization devoted to popularizing Canadian history, Canada's History aims to make Canadians more aware and appreciative of their past. Did you know they have a [YouTube channel](#)? On it they have webinars dealing with different aspects of Canada's history including:

- Teaching Treaties with the Treaty Education Initiative
- Aboriginal History is Everyone's History by Ben Sichel
- Understanding Canadian Women's Suffrage
- Where do history and community meet?

## Write for the SAS!

The editor of the *Saskatchewan Archaeology Quarterly* is actively seeking articles, reports and book review essays for upcoming issues. Please follow the American Antiquity style guide for formatting and references (*the Saskatchewan Archaeological Society is working on an editorial policy that will be similar in content, and will be posted on our website once finalized*). TIFFs and JPGs are the preferred files for line drawings and images, with a minimum of 300 dpi. The deadline for submissions is the 25th of the month prior to publication. We always look forward to hearing from our membership especially on issues that concern you. Please send your articles and image files by email to [Belinda Riehl-Fitzsimmons](mailto:Belinda.Riehl-Fitzsimmons).

## Local & Exotic Travel Excursions

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## Happy New Year!

### Big Muddy & Saskatchewan's Outlaw Connection—May 26-28

Meet the Outlaws through local historians who share their communities with us. Hear how the local ranchers interacted with both lawmen & outlaws and why. What happened to them?



### Matador Ranch to Hitchcock Bay—June 3-4

The Matador Land & Cattle Co. at one time was the largest landholder in the world. See the Sandcastles and Sunken Hill while hearing the local history of days gone by. The first settlers' lives come alive as we hear from family members. The Lucky Lake Museum and Jack Hitchcock's cabin allow us to touch the real history. Popular tour in 2016.

### Mistassini & 1866 Massacre—June 9

Share in the history of this sacred rock by family members of those dedicated to saving it before the flooding of Diefenbaker Lake. The mystery of the Blackfoot-Cree 1866 Massacre continues in the South Saskatchewan River hills on this tour.



### Wellness Trek to Celebrate Canada's 150th Anniversary—June 22-25

A once in a lifetime tour to see the Athabasca sand dunes, Hunt Falls and Uranium City. This trek promotes health & wellness. From Stony Rapids by float plane. Flights from SK cities available.

### Tracing the Voyageur - Sask. Landing to Elbow—June 30—July 3

Celebrate Canada's 150th Anniversary travelling the river highway with local historians bring the area alive— Sandcastles, Massacre Bay and much more. Travel in comfort on this houseboat.



### Fort Pitt & War Chief Wandering Spirit—July 6-7

Hear more than the recorded version of the events that lead to this tragedy. Local historians bring this alive as they explain the war chief culture and the years of events leading up to this event.

For more tours, details and SAS member prices contact:

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